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FLASHES

From Here and There and Everywhere

By BILL WILLIAMS

Just Another Name for "Red"—

We have had the league for this and the league for that, communism, fascism, naziism and the German bund but the boys never get tired so they've dug up another new one, only this time it's sorta colored a little bit . . . it's called the "Legions for Democracy" and it costs five cold dollars to join and a dollar a year dues.

But here's the funny part of the new "idea" . . . the same old gang of "commies" are behind the whole affair.

Last week a meeting was held by this great institution "Legions for Democracy" in a downtown hotel. And guess who presided? None other than Miles Humphrey, communist de luxe.

About 20 people attended. Some were fooled by the name because it does sound as though it may be a hundred per cent American, but don't be fooled, it isn't. And I say it isn't because Communist Humphrey presided.

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Martin Tells 'Em—

The boys in the CIO are singing "Oh where, Oh where is Homer Martin going" all because Homer has enough of that stuff to tell 'em where to head in at when the going gets tough.

Martin, for a number of months has served the CIO automobile workers as an organizer and when he doesn't like things he tells the world about it.

Now those that want control of John L. Lewis' political outfit don't like Martin because of his frankness. They want him thrown out of the organization.

But take a tip from me Martin's too foxy to allow a couple of stooges to get the best of him. He'll be organizing the workers when some of the stooges are back working as finks.

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Taking Them to the Cleaners—

Rex Pritchard, business representative of the local lathers' union, was given a surprise birthday party recently at his home in Oakland.

The story goes like this, according to my reporter:

Several representatives of various unions were in attendance to wish Rex many happy returns of the day. Mrs. Pritchard was asked the age of her husband and she replied: "Oh, he's just an old man" and the answer ended there.

After enjoying a little hospitality in the way of refreshments, the boys, as boys sometimes do, began to play at cards. As usual, the story goes, a fellow by the name of Reynolds took everything but the kitchen stove from the Pritchard premises, including a mortgage on the furniture.

I wonder sometimes if people will ever learn about cards.

You can't beat the game unless you use a sleeve machine or shade the cards, and I'm told Reynolds carries his own deck.

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You May Be Next—

Keep your eye on this column. You may be the next guy to take a beating.

If I get the information I'll spread it all over this newspaper . . . so be on the lookout . . . I bar no one.

HOW YOU CAN AID IN WAR AGAINST DREAD DISEASE

Every union member has a simple but important duty in the fight infantile paralysis campaign of 1939.

1. See to it that your name is signed to the personal birthday greeting to the president of the United States.

2. Let only your sympathy and generosity limit your contribution of one or more dimes. Share all that you can spare.

3. By your generosity and cooperation help your national or international union win the William Green and Keith Morgan awards.

4. Send your Kool, Raleigh and Viceroy cigarette coupons to Labor Division, 609 Carpenters' building, Washington, D. C. Their cash value will help swell labor's contribution to the infantile paralysis campaign.

5. Remember—this dreaded disease takes its greatest toll in the families of labor. Every contribution helps us as union members as well as the nation.

"BIG FOUR" SEEKS LOAN

New Issue of Mortgage Bonds to Retire Higher-Cost Securities

Permission to issue $29,040,000 of refunding and improvement mortgage bonds, bearing 4½ per cent interest, was sought of the interstate commerce commission this week by the "Big Four" railroad.

Bond that will be retired if the flotation is approved bear interest ranging from 4 to 6 per cent.

WHAT NEXT?

New things used at home and elsewhere include fans which draw warm air out of hot-air registers in hard-to-heat rooms, electric extension cords which stretch when required and then recoil to take up the slack, and batteryless flashlights with spring-operated electric generators which are wound up like a watch.

New A. F. L. Federation

Formation of a national council of local unions in the distillery field was announced this week by the American Federation of Labor. It is known as the federation of distillery, rectifiers and wine workers and has over 8,000 members in 17 locals as a starter.

UNION MEN

. . . of Alameda County earn $3 million dollars monthly and are spending their Union wages at home with friends of Labor.

UNION LABEL EXHIBITION FOR S. F.

Labor Unions in San Francisco to Display Union Labels in Auditorium May 10 to 14

With a "pataronize home industry" and general educational theme in behalf of American products and the endorsement of all major A. F. of L. organizations, plans were announced today for the annual union label and industrial exhibition to be held May 10 to 14 in civic auditorium in San Francisco.

Working exhibits of various industries will be a feature of the exhibition, along with an elaborate program of entertainment by radio, motion picture, and other stars, according to Thomas A. Rotell, secretary of the union label section of the San Francisco labor council, and managing director of the exhibition.

"We want to make it plain at the outset that the forthcoming exhibition is part of an educational program under legitimate auspices of an accredited unit of the American Federation of Labor, strictly a nonprofit affair, and not a racket which private promoters are handling," Rotell said.

"It will be a project which has for its aims the display to the people of California of the methods pursued in preparing their products for the markets of the world, and to show our own people the advantages which we of California enjoy, as well as to demonstrate to our visitors during the Golden Gate international exposition the wonders of California's industries."

The annual union label and industrial exhibition will be held under auspices of the union label section of the San Francisco labor council, and has the accredited endorsement of the California State Federation of Labor, the San Francisco labor and building trades councils, bay district joint council of teamsters, metal trades council, joint board of culinary crafts, allied printing trades council, California state federation of butchers, theatrical federation, federation of building service crafts, district council of clerks, and various other groups.

Butcher's Ball In S.F. January 21

Members of all units of the butchers' union in the bay district have been invited to attend the 18th annual ball and show of Butchers' Union No. 115 to be held in San Francisco's civic auditorium on Saturday night, January 21st.

"Meet Your Butcher," is the theme of the local committee, it is announced by Milton S. Maxwell, secretary-treasurer of the committee in charge. William McGrath, vice president of Butchers' Union No. 115 has been named general chairman of the affair, which is rated as the largest of its kind held regularly in San Francisco each year.

Three halls of civic auditorium have been engaged, and three bands will furnish music, while 21 professional vaudeville acts will supply the entertainment. Proceeds will go to the special relief fund of the union, which is used to provide for the needy outside the organization.

"We are proud to invite all members of the butchers' union in the bay district and their friends to attend this gala affair, and we want them to know that in extending our invitation they are assured of an unusual show, and dance music of the finest of all types," Maxwell said.

"We are also proud that for eighteen years we have staged this annual butchers' ball, and that we have been assured of the attendance of many state and civic leaders, as well as men and women prominent in the ranks of union labor," Maxwell said.

Harry Payson's band will provide music in the main auditorium, with William Barstedt's band providing music for old time dancing in one side hall, and George Knorr and his musicians playing "jitterbug" music in the other side hall.

Many a store has a "closed" sign on it because it sold the goods of open-shoppers!

UNION LABEL LEAGUE SECRETARY BEGINS DRIVE FOR MEMBERS

A drive to enroll every AFL union into the Union Label League of Alameda county was launched this week by James H. Doyle, secretary.

Doyle said it was his intention to make the public "union label conscious" when purchasing materials or merchandise of any kind.

He has made an appeal through the central labor council to all affiliated unions to join the union label league at once.

OAKLAND DEPARTMENT STORE SIGNS CONTRACT FOR SECOND YEAR

For the second year Mr. Max Sherman has signed the agreement with the retail clerks' union.

Sherman's department store, 2009 San Pablo avenue, carries a full line of men and boys' furnishings and shoes; the store also features a complete display of women's apparel.

Mr. Sherman is a former union member of many years standing. He invites his friends in the labor movement to visit him whenever out "San Pablo way."

A. F. of L. Textile Workers Defeat CIO in Labor Board Election

The A. F. of L. hailed a victory over the CIO in an Atlantic Mills, Providence, R. I., election as "an opening wedge in our efforts to unify the textile workers of the country."

Employes of the company's Ilneyville plant chose AFL's Providence and Woonasquatucket Woolen and Worsted District Council as their collective bargaining agency, 994-535, over CIO's textile workers' organizing committee in an election conducted by the national labor relations board.

TWOC had petitioned for the election and publicized it as the first test of strength of the recently-chartered AFL affiliate.

Candy Workers' Election Called for January 17 In Labor Temple

Members of Candy Workers' Union, Local No. 119c will hold their annual election of officers Tuesday evening, January 17 in the Oakland labor temple, 2111 Webster street.

Meeting to convene at 7:15 o'clock. Members must present their due books in order to gain admittance. November dues must be paid in order to vote.

An assessment of $1.00 will be levied against all members failing to attend the meeting or failing to cast a ballot.

Downtown Jewelry Store Signs With Local No. 47

Brent's credit jewelers, located at 1207 Broadway, Oakland signed the 1939 working agreement of Retail Clerks' Union, Local No. 47 recently.

Brent's carries a complete line of diamonds, watches, electrical appliances, radios and jewelry.

Mr. Brent and Mr. Foster are in charge of the store and offer cheerful, courteous credit if desired.

PARTS CLERKS HOLD ELECTION

Automotive Parts and Assessories Clerks' Union, Local No. 1081 elected the following officers for the ensuing term:

President, R. M. Miller; vice president, Harry Parks; treasurer, R. Lazenby; recording secretary, W. W. Roach.

Trustees, R. Morrison, K. Means and H. Whitmarsh. Corresponding secretary and business representative, R. L. Mathiesen.

PAINTERS LOSE TWO MEMBERS BY DEATH

Painters' Union, Local No. 127 mourn the death of two old-time members in the passing of William Donovan and J. W. Pursee.

Donovan was connected with the union since 1909 and Pursee since 1903.

Steel Doubles Pace

Steel production began the new year at double the rate of 1938, "Iron Age" reported this week. It predicted a 40 per cent gain in ingot output over last year.

Governor Olson Appeals to Employer and Employe for Support in Inaugural Address

Thousands Hear Newly Elected Governor Make Outstanding Inaugural Address At State Capital, Sacramento

Members of the legislature and my fellow citizens of California:

It is an honor to be chosen the people's representative in any position of public service. It is a trust, the violation of which through word or deed, according to my concept, is a form of treason. How deeply I sense the honor of being elected by the people of California as their chief executive can be known only to me. Mere words could not express it. Words would fail me if I tried to utter them on this solemn occasion of taking my oath of office.

I approach my responsibilities with humility. I intend that faithfulness to the trust imposed in me shall ever mark my administration. It is my sincere desire that the record of this administration's accomplishments, with due allowance for honest mistakes, will in time convince the people of the sense of duty that weighs upon my heart and conscience.

I wish to assure every citizen that I enter the high office of governor of our great state free of all prejudices, even against those who most bitterly, and sometimes unfairly, opposed my election. I respect honest differences of philosophy and viewpoint on public policies. Marked differences in partisan opinion, for the most part, arise out of differences in understanding our common problems and the methods necessary to meet them through government. These are but the natural and healthy attributes of a functioning democracy.

Is Without Prejudice

Every person in California, regardless of party, color, creed or station in life, must know that, not only am I without prejudice, but I regard it as my sacred duty, under the oath I have taken today, to protect every person's civil liberties, and equality before the law, with every power at my command. These are precious rights. The founders of our republic and the preserves of the union made supreme sacrifices for these rights. They are the very cornerstone of our democracy.

As we witness destruction of democracy elsewhere in the world, accompanied by denial of civil liberties and inhuman persecutions, under the rule of despots and dictators, so extreme as to shock the moral sense of mankind, it seems appropriate that we Californians, on this occasion, should announce to the world that despotism shall not take root in our state; that the preservation of our American civil liberties and democratic institutions shall be the first duty and firm determination of our government.

America has built enormously productive facilities for manufacturing. Our scientists, engineers and technicians have literally recreated the world in which we live. It is now well known that we have both the capacity and the ability to produce abundantly for all. But these advances, wonderful as they are, have brought along their own new and extremely difficult problems. We are a long, long way from the goal of social justice. We have yet failed to solve the question of distribution that attends our newly-developed productive skills and capacities. This failure has plunged us into hard times and depression—the longest and most persistent in modern times.

But with all of our seeming failure; with all our difficulties and economic maladjustments; despite the puzzling paradox of unemployment and poverty in the midst of potential plenty, every right-thinking citizen, native or foreign born, regards his American citizenship as his most precious possession. He knows that it is a part of the sovereign power of the people to guide their own destinies.

Americans Are Progressive

Independent business men who find themselves bankrupt after years of constructive effort begin to wonder whether the profit, or capitalistic system, is doomed to final and complete failure. But they look with distrust and misgiving upon any radical change to a new order in our industrial life. The American people are slow to make drastic changes. They feel their way, and they are feeling their way under President Roosevelt's progressive administration and courageous effort to reform our economic system, by providing measures for the protection of labor, direct aid to the farmer, to industry, to home owners, low cost housing, social security, work relief and other social welfare programs. Whether all such progressive activities are wholly or partially successful, either as temporary expedients or as permanent programs, they have saved and are saving the present economy from utter collapse. They point the way forward—toward the achievement of the aspiration of the people for an economy that will afford general employment, abundant production, equitable distribution, social security and old age retirement, which our country, with its ample resources, great facilities and the genius of its people, is capable of providing.

Progress toward that goal is the purpose of all true liberals and of the liberal movement within the party to which I belong.

The results of recent elections in certain of our states are interpreted by a few as indicating a set-back to these liberal and progressive policies. By more impartial observers, they are attributed to local factors unrelated to any issue as between liberalism and reaction.

However those incidents may be interpreted, it is certain that the American people can not go backward, if our democracy is to endure. They must go forwad with further measures calculated to improve their general welfare and eliminate every form of special privilege or class control in our economic system.

The people of California emphatically declared in our recent election that this state shall go forward, not only in support of the new deal measures of the national government under President Roosevelt, but also with state measures having the same objectives.

The people approve the sound, sensible and thoroughly progressive platform of principles and policies upon which my associates and I were elected. They have given a mandate to you and to me to translate those principles into law and sound government procedure as promptly and effectively as it is possible to do.

Demand Right Kind of Government

There should be little room for doubt in our minds as to the kind of government the people of California demand. The issues were clear and the decision rendered at the polls was so conclusive as to leave each of us no false or shadowy concept as to the road we are to follow.. There is none among us who can doubt that the people have voted for a government that shall honestly place human values before material values; that they want a government that will do the human thing in a sound and workable way, unswerved by pressure from any self-seeking group or special interest.

With that mandate, I approach my duties as chief executive, confidently relying upon your fullest cooperation. The people expect such cooperation from you and I shall rely upon your willingness to cooperate—your willing assistance in performing that mandate. I am certain that you, as well as I, deem it a solemn duty to respond to the will of the people. Good faith, unselfish, nonpartisan cooperation between the legislative and executive branches of our government is expected of us. We must not fail in our duty!

All of us, of all parties, employ-

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LAWRENCE TO ATTEND MIAMI MEETING

Frank Lawrence, business representative of Engineers' Union, Local No. 208, was elected Wednesday as delegate to the international executive board meeting to be held in Miami, Florida, January 21st.

He will leave Oakland next Tuesday night along with other union delegates.

PRESSMEN MEET IN REGULAR SESSION NEXT MONDAY

The regular monthly meeting of Oakland Printing Pressmen and Assistants' Union, Local No. 125 will be held Monday evening, January 16, at 7:30 o'clock in the labor temple on Webster street.

President D. C. Drew has announced the sick committee for the month of January. They are: A. J. Tofanelli, A. R. Tofanelli, E. R. Colbourn and J. Moon.

Santa Fe Buys Diesels

The Board of directors of the Santa Fe has approved the purchase of 30 Diesel electric switching locomotives, at a cost of about $2,250,000. Some of the engines will be of 600 and others of 900 horsepower.

LETTER CARRIERS 76 ELECT OFFICERS FOR ENSUING YEAR

The recent election held by Branch No. 76, national association of letter carriers, resulted in the following officers elected for the year 1939:

President, L. S. Rakestraw; vice president, Wiliam E. Collins; recording secretary, A. B. McClintocke; financial secretary, A. P. Klaiss; treasurer, F. A. Newgard; sergeant-at-arms, George Livingstone.

Trustees, W. E. King, J. L. Prentiss and Glen Jensen. Delegates to central labor council, Thomas C. Murphy, George Livingstone, L. S. Rakestraw and H. H. Lane. This marks Murphy's tenth consecutive year as a delegate to the labor council.

Installation of officers will be held, Tuesday, January 17th.

Support Given Housing Exhibit Here

Building Trades Council Gives Undivided Support To Housing Program

The Building and Construction Trades Council of Alameda county is on record as supporting the Oakland National housing exposition to be held in the Exposition building, near Oakland auditorium, from January 20 to 28.

Hundreds of interesting exhibits will be on display, showing the modern improvements in home building, modern fixtures and home equipment.

A glass house will be constructed in the building along with several hundred FHA exhibits.

The purpose of the housing exhibition is to boost home building in the east bay area.

Jack Reynolds, business representative of the trades council said:

"Now is the time to build. Labor and materials are cheaper than ever before. I urge all trade unionists and their friends to visit the exposition and become familiar with up-to-date improvements in home building."

Admission tickets can be had at the labor temple. Admission price, with ticket, is 15 cents; without ticket 35 cents.

MODESTO CANNERY PLACED ON UNFAIR LIST OF FEDERATION

Firm Packs "Dainty Mix" For Coast Trade, Other Fruit Cocktails in Private Brands For Eastern Consumption

Products of the Pacific Grape Products company of Modesto, California, were placed on the official "We Don't Patronize" list of the California State Federation of Labor recently by order of the executive council.

The firm packs a variety of fruit and grape products, of which their leader is "Dainty Mix" fruit salad or cocktail for the California market, and also "Vine Gold" spiced seedless grapes and "Southern Beauty," sliced yellow cling peaches. They also pack numerous brands of fruit cocktail, peaches, apricots, pears, and other products for eastern distributors under their own brands and labels.

"The Pacific Grape Products Co. has been unfair since the strike of members of Cannery Workers' Union No. 20592 of Modesto in September, and all efforts of the California State Federation of Labor and federal conciliators to adjust differences have been met with refusal of the company to deal with the union," Edward D. Vandeleur, secretary of the state federation, said.

Member of Oakland Typos 36, Dies

David J. Lewis, 76, charter member of Oakland Typographical Union, No. 36, died January 5 in a Santa Rosa hospital.

Cremation followed a typographical union service in Oakland, January 7. Deceased is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ethel M. Lewis of Sonoma.

Can Picket Price-Cutter

The right of a union to picket a plant that jeopardizes labor standards by cutthroat prices was upheld recently by the Minnesota supreme court.

The high court dismissed an order granted by a lower court which enjoined the Minneapolis dry cleaning drivers' union from picketing a cutrate shop.

SUPPORT MILK WAGON DRIVERS CARRYING UNION WORKING CARD

William Franklin, business representative of Milk Wagon Drivers' Union, Local No. 302, made an appeal to delegates to the central labor council this week to support the milk wagon drivers in their campaign against non-union drivers.

Franklin said:

"Give your patronage to the milk wagon driver carrying a union working card or button. Don't support those classed as peddlers who are doing everything in their power to disrupt our union.

"When a milk wagon driver calls at your door ask him to show his union button; if he cannot produce then discontinue his services."

Delegates to the council were notified to carry the message back to their membership.

Local Couple Celebrate Silver Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Anstey were surprised recently when a group of friends headed by Mr. and Mrs. George Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Al Wahl and Mrs. Toney Renard and several members of Milk Wagon Drivers' Union, Local No. 302, helped them celebrate their silver wedding anniversary.

A beautiful silver set was presented the Ansteys by their friends.

Mr. Anstey has been connected with the milk wagon drivers' union for the past 18 years.

SAMPLE SHOE STORE IN CONTRACT WITH RETAIL CLERKS 47

The Sample Shoe store, 729 Washington street, between 7th and 8th streets, is another store coming under a union contract with the local retail clerks' union.

Mr. A. Grutman signed the working agreement with the clerks' union a few days ago. The store carries men's, women's and boys' shoes, retailing for $2.50 a pair.

ROOFER IS INJURED

William Good, vice president of Roofers' Union, Local No. 81, received serious injuries this week when he fell from a roof while at work in Berkeley.

Good fractured his skull and injured his collar bone in the fall.

COUNCILS ASK MORE SHIP BUILDING HERE

Write to Senators and Congressmen Asking for Support of Local Ship Yards

Union labor today, through the central labor and building and construction trades councils here, made a special appeal to United States Senators Johnson and Downey and Congressmen Tolan and Carter, to bring to the Pacific coast the construction of several more U. S. government boats.

Recognizing the fact that only two ships will be constructed at local ship yards, the councils have asked that the local ship yards be given "more recognition by the construction of several more boats at our coast yards."

"Should our request be granted it would mean employment for several thousand mechanics and more payrolls for our community," the councils' communication said.

Union Labor To Welcome Tom Mooney

Open Meeting to Be Held In Oakland Auditorium; 10,000 Expected to Attend

American Federation of Labor union members will attend a "home coming" meeting for Tom Money to be held in the Oakland auditorium, January 21, according to reports to the Journal today from union headquarters.

The meeting will be open to the public and at least 10,000 persons will be in attendance.

Mooney and other labor leaders will address the gathering, the committee in charge said.

PAINT STILL UNFAIR

Sherwin-Williams Paint company is still listed as non-union by the central labor council and the district council of painters.

Do not buy paint made by this company, the paint makers ask.

State Federation of Labor and Local Labor Councils Fight "Racket" Advertising

Warning Issued to Businessmen and Labor Unions to Beware of Advertising Men Using AFL for a "Racket"

Aroused by continued unauthorized use of the name of the American Federation of Labor and affiliated bodies by unscrupulous and racketeering promoters, the California State Federation of Labor today declared war on their "chiseling" practices.

The campaign was authorized at a recent meeting of the executive council of the federation, at which a proposal that unionists give better support to official labor papers was also acclaimed.

"For years a certain type of promoters have been bilking the public, particularly business and professional men, by high-pressure sales methods in connection with alleged 'benefit' dances, entertainments, picnics and other affairs, 'official' union directories, programs, and other publications," said Edward D. Vandeleur, secretaary of the federation.

Labor Must Expose Racketeers

"The practice is steadily increasing and labor itself must do its part in exposing and curbing such rackets for the protection of its own organizations, as well as our friends who conscientiously desire to aid worthy causes.

"First, we warn the public against contributing to any purported 'official' project or publication in connection with which the name of the American Federation of Labor or the California State Federation of Labor, or any affiliated council or union is used, unless the solicitors, present written credentials properly authenticated by officers of the central labor council of the district in which they are operating.

Schemes Act As Boomerangs

"Second, all local unions are urged to exercise precaution in accepting promoters' schemes which appear to be potential money makers for the organization at the time, but frequently develop into boomerangs after the racketeers have left town, and to check all promotion proposals with their central labor council first.

"Third, we urge every central labor council to designate a committee of its officers to function as a sanctioning body for any activities in which the name of the council, or affiliated unions is used in their community, in order to curb this type of racketeering.

"Fourth, it is urged that all local unions adopt a policy of agreeing that the committee set up by their central labor council shall be responsible for the careful policing of activities in their community, and that all proposals, regardless of the amounts involved, shall be submitted to such committee for sanction.

"Fifth, the public is asked to cooperate by demanding official credentials of any solicitor they do not know, particularly in connection with telephone solicitations, and to report any proposals not backed by proper credentials to the secretary of the central labor council in their community."

Use Special "Racket"

Vandeleur cited numerous incidents where promoters had mulcted unions, their members and friends, business and professional men, and others. A racket during the holiday season was benefits to buy food for wives and kiddies of unemployed union members.

"These practices must be stopped in the interest of all concerned, and the California State Federation of Labor, with the cooperation of the officers of the various central labor councils, proposes to do everything possible to end these abuses.

"Better business bureaus and similar bona fide organizations will cooperate, and we need only the aid of industry, business and the general public who are victims of these schemes to end the nefarious practices of unscrupulous promoters," he said

BUSINESS MEN

. . . who appreciate patronage of Union men and women and their families advertise in Organized Labor's official newspaper.

DEFECTIVE

MOONEY IS PARDONED BY GOVERNOR OLSON

Member of Molders' Union Freed After Twenty-Two Years' Unjust Imprisonment; Absolved of Guilt in Preparedness Day Bombing

Thomas J. Mooney was pardoned on January 7 by Governor Culbert L. Olson after serving twenty-two years in prison following conviction of the charge of murder in connection with the bombing of the San Francisco preparedness day parade in 1916, which resulted in the death of ten persons.

Shortly before noon, Governor Olson, whose campaign platform included a promise to pardon Mooney if elected, formerly freed the prisoner in the state assembly chamber in a setting of movie cameras and microphones.

Earlier in the day Mooney, now 56 years old, left San Quentin prison in the custody of the warden, who had been instructed by the governor to bring him to Sacramento.

After reviewing the Mooney case from beginning to end, Governor Olson said he was thoroughly convinced that the conviction of the murder charge resulted from perjured testimony and expressed his belief that Mooney was innocent of the charge.

Turning to Mooney, the governor said:

"I shall hope and expect that you will, with every other true friend of American liberty and American progress toward industrial and social justice, urge only the intelligent exercise by the people of their democracy, with the realization that they can have any kind of government they want by peaceful process, that any violence of person or property will defeat it."

JOB BENEFITS DROP REFLECTS RECOVERY

Evidence that industry is calling idle men back to work was seen this week in a report by the social security board that job insurance benefits had declined 21 per cent in November.

Twenty of the 29 states paying benefits reported reductions. Michigan, with a 36 per cent decline, reflected improved conditions in the automobile industry.

More About Governor Olson

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ers, employes, the professions, the unemployed, the youth, the aged, and the helpless—are primarily concerned in the achievement of a common goal; a higher and more equitable standard of living, a higher and more cultured standard of thinking; the replacement of prejudice with reason; the eradication of the causes for class consciousness and group antagonisms, and a citizenship motivated by a sense of social and civic responsibility.

The people of California want employment, a decent standard of living, education, opportunities for youth, social security, old age retirement, protection against pauperism and starvation. Activities in private industry and individual enterprise must be guilded by these social objectives, if our present economy is to survive.

Owners of capital and means of production and distribution must realize their responsibility to society—not to radically engage in human exploitation, but to conservatively engage in management for human advancement. They must be satisfied with stability and permanency of investments for strictly conservative and safe returns. Our policies in the field of industrial relations will be to aid in establishing this sound basis for industrial activity.

This administration will function both on behalf of the economically submerged part of our population, whose poverty presents the greatest challenge to the success of democracy and the preservation of the present economy, and on behalf of California's industries, employers and employes, and all citizens dependent for their well being upon the healthy normal growth of the economic life of California.

Don't Need Political Pressure

Let me assure all business men and business organizations that in their transactions with the state they need neither political pull nor political lobbyists in order to obtain a fair hearing, and a fair and a square deal under the law. Legitimate business concerned only in honest intelligent enactment, and honest and efficient administration of law, may only injure its own cause before the people and with this administration, by employing professional political lobbyists to represent it in its dealings with the state.

We need—we must have—a larger production and use of consumer goods in California. Increased business and the steady employment of all our employable citizens upon a decent American standard of living is necessary to that accomplishment.

We must reduce the burden of taxes which private industry and those employed in it are now required to bear in order to support in pauperism those for whom employment can not be found.

That part of the federal government's work relief spending allotted to our state, generous though it is, finds employment for only about one-fifth of the unemployed employable residents of California, and the discontinuance of even this inadequate relief work is threatened.

New avenues of employment must be created by California's industries or by the state, or by both. To this end, business, labor and government must cooperate with a new sense of their individual and collective responsibilities. We must work hand in hand for the general welfare.

We know, of course, that the problems and responsibilities of California industry in recent years have been multiplied in number and complexity as state and national incomes have decreased and general unemployment has been met only by doles, debt and increased taxes.

Instead of idly theorizing on causes, we must face conditions and meet them with common sense and practical action. Unemployment and poverty is assuredly a condition which need not prevail in bountiful California.

I am not speaking of the unemployment of that negligible few who are drones in society, unwilling to work. Society owes them no obligation. We are concerned with honest, American citizens, looking for a place in our economic structure, willing to work; unwilling to accept or unwillingly accepting charity from government or private sources all eager for an opportunity to engage in useful service and to live a life which expresses a natural personal pride and a natural aspiration for self-support.

It is of supreme importance that we take action—action on the part of the government in cooperation with private industry to provide general employment, industrial activity and increased production and consumption by our own population of the various and sufficient commodities which our rich natural resources, plant facilities and man power amply afford.

Your government's part in this action should supplement, stabilize, stimulate and increase the growth of private industry, rather than injure it. Honest cooperation is all that is needed for peaceful progress toward general prosperity.

Our efforts have been and will be to eliminate all unnecessary costs, to abolish overlapping and duplicating agencies of government, and to practice every reasonable and practical economy, without crippling or eliminating necessary state services.

With all possible economy, a heavy tax burden, during the next biennium, can not be avoided.

The distressing problem of mounting taxes is, of course, directly linked with the problem of unemployment and relief.

A Tax Problem

We face the continued necessity of meeting nearly one hundred million dollars per biennium, to pay small cash doles to those now on state relief, without furnishing any relief to some two hundred and seventy-five thousand eligible applicants who, with their families, can not now find a place on our relief rolls. Only a definite policy of tax relief through self-help employment can relieve the taxpayers of the state from this staggering and increasing burden.

In order that we may discontinue, as soon as possible the maintenance of employable people in idleness, I submit to the intelligence of the legislators, to the intelligence of the taxpayers, to the intelligence of the industrialists and business men of the state, to the intelligence of the unemployed themselves, that we should substitute for the present policy of paying niggardly cash doles for unemployment relief, a new policy of placing the unemployed at productive work to support themselves.

In the field of private industry, the right of organized labor to honest collective bargaining must be protected; minimum wages must be established and vigorously enforced to maintain a decent American standard of living; vocational training must be extended, and the doors of employment and of opportunity for advancement, through useful and meritorious service, must be opened to the eager, splendid youth of our state. Youth's social-minded ideals, developed while in training for lifetime service, must not be shattered upon their entrance to adult life by a selfish, cold, unwelcome world.

California's elderly citizens have taken the lead in bringing the general public to the realization of

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Pardon of Tom Mooney Pleases Green

President William Green of the American Federation of Labor, expressed his gratification over the action of Governor Olson of California in pardoning Thomas J. Mooney.

"I know the officers and members of the American Federation of Labor will be greatly pleased over the action taken," Mr. Green said. "It is a most deserving act."

PAINTERS' NOTES

By HUGH RUTLEDGE

We are sorry to report the deaths of two of our old time members this past week, Brother William Donovan and Brother J. W. Pursee. Brother Donovan died on January 9th, in Palo Alto hospital from tuberculosis and funeral was held from Wadsworth's on Thursday, January 12th. Brother Pursee, a life member, was injured by an automobile and died January 5th at Merritt hospital. Funeral was held from Berg's parlor in Berkeley. The local extends its sincere sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

Still on the sick list are Brothers Turner, Quinn, Dunn, King, Reese, Christensen, Halpern, Vincent, Tedd, Atkinson and Shaw. All the brothers are about the same. We are again calling the attention of the sick brothers to the rules that call for a report to be sent in each week. Any brother on the sick list who fails to send in a report for two weeks is automatically removed from the list. If you do not have the blanks for this report, a call to the financial secretary will bring you a supply at once.

Our congenial president has a lot of competition when it comes to smoking as Chris Petersen has a pipe that can make more smoke and use less matches than Brother Rhue's weed burner.

Anyone who desires to get Brother Wahlberg's goat can just mention the Ove deal.

If you know of anyone who does not receive this Journal please send in his address as we have a good many members whose addresses are lost on account of moving.

Apprentice News and Views
By Al Cunningham

This week brings two very important events to the apprentices. First, night classes, open for the spring term sometime this week and secondly the basketball team will have a game and a workout this week.

Wednesday evening at Roosevelt high, the team takes its initial workout under the guiding eyes of Jack Kopke of the paint makers. Jack learned the game under the U. C. mentor Nibs Price, an old basketball authority

Thursday evening we've scheduled a game with the Alameda Methodist team at their home gym. This game will be played on a small court. But it should prove to be good practice as they have a good offensive club. Results will be announced next week.

The idea of this column, the basketball team, and school classes, in a small way, is to bring the apprentice painter closer together so that we may be acquainted with our fellows, and so we may be more familiar with our organization and its members So let's get together, we painters of the future, and pull with our local.

THE CORRECT SPECIE

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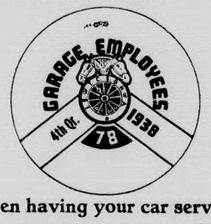
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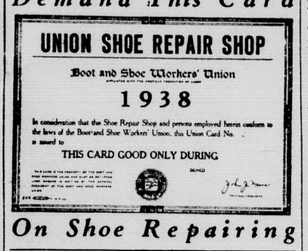
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With over 2,200 new and renewed agreements negotiated with employers during 1938, the international association of machinists, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, is rightly proud of its achievements.

Harvey W. Brown, acting president of the association, said that although the year had been marked by the severe business recession, these agreements had secured genuine benefits for the more than 200,000 workers holding membership cards in the association.

Typical wage increases, Mr. Brown said, were those secured in a Los Angeles agreement with five dairies which boosted wages an average of $40 a month. In Minneapolis an agreement with a motor freight line added $33 a month to the pay envelopes of union members, and an agreement with a garage and service station in Minneapolis increased wages from $25 to $42.50 a week.

In the field of shorter hours the machinists' association also made many gains. Outstanding agreements were won in St. Louis with five dairies which decreased hours from 70 to 48 a week, along with a wage increase of 20 cents an hour; one in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, lowered the length of the work week from 60 to 48 hours and raised wages from 32½ cents to 85 cents an hour, and one in Marion, Ohio, cut the work week from 79 to 30 hours.

In some instances Mr. Brown said agreements had been negotiated reducing the length of the work week below 40 hours without cutting wages. Outstanding among these was an agreement with five theatre supply companies in Hollywood, Calif., which included a 33 hour week. In other localities agreements were negotiated providing for the 35 hour week.

LABOR BOARD REPORTS ON 3-YEAR ACTIVITIES

Claims to Have Restored 216,000 To Jobs After Labor Clashes

Over 216,000 workers have been reinstated to their jobs after strikes and lockouts in which the national labor relations board was called in.

This figure was given by the board this week in a three-year roundup of its work. It reported also that 14,280 employes who had been dismissed for union activity were rehired, and that action of the board averted 662 strikes involving 169,000 workers.

Doings At State Legislature

The Olson administration made a splendid start at the opening of the state legislature. The message of Governor Olson and Lieutenant Governor Patterson contained many proposals for the benefit of California and the welfare of organized labor. We must not become over enthusiastic, however, because there are a number of reactionaries both in the senate and in the assembly. Every labor bill which is adopted at the legislature will have to be fought for by organized labor.

During the sessions of the last legislature over 4,000 bills were presented. Many hundreds of these bills were viciously unjustifiable and should never have been presented. Their consideration cost the state government thousands of dollars.

The avalanche of bills being prepared and dumped into the legislative hopper at the present session of the legislature indicates that this legislature will be a duplicate of the last legislature in that regard. Bills of real value and of genuine benefit to California, and particularly to organized labor, are comparatively very small in number.

A "little California Wagner Act" is under consideration. This act can be of tremendous value to California, her industries and labor. Measures providing for mediation, arbitration and conciliation in labor disputes have been prepared. Senator Bigger's bill dealing with this subject strikes at the rights of labor and must be drastically amended or defeated.

Must Watch

Labor Bills

The bill introduced by Senator Swing amending the prevailing wage law merits very careful consideration. A number of amendments to the workmen's compensation insurance and safety laws have been prepared. Each one of these measures will have to be analyzed and considered with the greatest of care. During the last session many proposed amendments to the compensation laws, prepared by well meaning persons, had to be defeated because they would have done great injury to the compensation laws and to the workmen of California.

A number of labor amendments have been submitted which will require considerable time to analyze, and upon which reports will be made from time to time. One of the last acts of the legislature during the week was the adoption of Governor Olson's emergency measure providing $19,975,000 for state relief aid. Had this bill not been passed, thousands of California's destitute were faced with the possibility of hunger.

The officers of the state building and construction trades council are making a careful study of the codification of the state housing laws and also the proposed health and safety code, which has some 24,000 sub-sections.

The legislative week closed with the vindication, after twenty-two years of imprisonment, of Tom Mooney who was given a full and unconditional pardon by Governor Olson. This stirring event, broadcast the world over, was followed by a joyous celebration.

FRANK C. MacDONALD,
President, State Building and Construction Trades Council of California.

CANDID REFERENCES

Would-be Employer — Have you any references?

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AUXILIARY NOTES

How the Women Are Helping Through Their Organizations

Labor Temple Auxiliary

No meeting of the labor temple auxiliary was held during December, because of the usual holiday activities.

The next meeting of the auxiliary will be held on Friday, January 20th. The board of trustees met last Wednesday, and it was decided the next meeting would be a social affair, with luncheon and regular order of business following.

All members are advised to be at the labor temple, at 12:30 on Friday, January 20th and take part in the fun.

GRACE SCHMIDT, Secretary.

Typographical Auxiliary No. 26

The regular social day of No. 26 was held in a somewhat different way this month. It was decided upon to combine election and social days together. Twenty-five members gather at the Fior D'Italia restaurant for a lovely luncheon, and to cast their votes at the same time.

A very tasty lunch was served and all who attended seemed to be having a wonderful time.

We were more than pleased to have with us three San Francisco members, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Sullivan and last, though very important, Little Kathleen Sullivan, who is getting to be a big girl these days. All due to the efficient care of her mother.

Glad to report all who have been on the sick list are improved and able to be out.

Several matters of great importance will be coming up at the next business meeting. All members are asked to try to be at the meeting, the first Thursday in February.

Mr. Sutherland, a parliamentarian, is now instructing No. 26 in "Robert's Rules of Order". Both on social days, and one hour on business meeting days. All are invited to attend.

"We boost the union label."

MABEL BOEK, Press Cor.

Carpenters' Auxiliary No. 160

MEETING

With an old year gone and a new year here, why not make a new year's resolution and plan to attend our next meeting, January 17, 1:30. It will be a special called meeting.

Object, to change the meetings from day to evening and to be held on a Friday evening.

Boost the union label at all times.

TESSIE O'LEARY, Press Cor.

Machinists' Auxiliary No. 97

INSTALLATION

Ladies' Auxiliary No. 97, I. A. of M. had installation on January 4, and we were quite proud of the way the work was put on as our installing officer, Past President Lorraine Metteer, gave the charges from memory, which is so much more impressive than by reading them.

Acting Secretary Florence Shaffer called the names of the following officers for the ensuing term: past president, Josephine Madsen; president, Gladys Costa; vice president, Alpha Fedderson; financial secretary, Marie Dixon, proxied by Violet Nicholas; treasurer, Evelyn Geholdt; conductor, Eleanor Tombe; warden, Margaret Rains; recording secretary, Beatrice Bengson; sentinel, Verna Hardison; chaplain, Valia Hill; press correspondent, Tessie O'Leary; marshal, Mary Logue; musician, Louise Ghodossi, proxied by Ethel Courtamauche; finance committee, Anna Hoover, Naomi Vercelli, and Mildred Hendee, who were installed by installing officer, Lorraine Metteer, assisted by installing marshal, Marie Dixon and her escort team, Della Eck, Virginia Nicholas, Lurline Wheathers, Lucy Long, Sophie Rogers, Virginia Kyes, Anna Phillips and Mabel Balli, who put their floor work on in a pretty manner.

Installing Officer Lorraine Metteer in her usual sweet way and well chosen words, presented to the president-elect, Gladys Costa, the gavel, the symbol of authority. Sister Costa thanked the sisters for their past cooperation and honor of being elected as their president. And also presented to Past President Josephine Madsen, who had served her term as president so faithfully and never missed a meeting, a beautiful oval mirror. Sister Madsen thanked the sisters and wished the incoming president the assistance and cooperation of every member.

Past Presidents of Golden West Auxiliary, No. 125 of San Francisco, Sisters Cook and Ozko, were called upon for a few remarks which were well received. President Brother Phillips, No. 1546 responded with a few remarks, as did business representative of No. 1546, Brother F. W. Hardison and W. C. O'Leary, No. 550.

After installation all adjourned to the banquet room where refreshments of baked ham, potato salad, rolls, pickles, olives, cake and coffee were served. The tables were decorated in a very tasteful and appropriate manner, color selections being pink and green lighted tapers. A pretty "ship" with pink carnations added to the attractive appearance of the tables and lent an added charm to the scene.

Marie Dixon in charge of decorations.

The committee members were: Chairman Tessie O'Leary, Alpha Fedderson, Marie Dixon, Anna Hoover, Louise Ghodossi, Gladys Costa, Beatrice Bengson, Ventia Winward, and President Josephine Madsen. Leona Gray assisted in the day in the absence of President Madsen. The following served in the evening: Eugenia Cortezzo, Maye Canaper, Rose Oliver, Ventia Winward and Mary Ellen Jensen.

Thus ended a perfect evening.

THANKS

Social committee wishes to thank the sisters for the cakes for the installation, and the ones that assisted in the evening.

Past President Lorraine Metteer in thanking the sisters who assisted in the installation, overlooked Assisting Recording Secretary Florence Shaffer, Musician Ethel Courtamauche, and Violet Nicholas and wishes to hereby apologize and thank them.

NOTE

Sorry to hear of the accidents of two little boys. Past President Madsen's son, a broken arm; President Gladys Costa's son, four stitches in his leg. Auxiliary No. 97 wishes them a speedy recovery.

SYMPATHY

Ladies' auxiliary met Wednes- M. extends their deepest sympathy to Sister Wilma Binger and family in their hour of sorrow in the loss of her father.

MEETING

Ladies' Auxiliary met Wednesday evening, January 4th, President Josephine Madsen presiding with a fine attendance. Agnes Smith was initiated into the auxiliary.

Letters received and placed on file.

Invitation was read from Ladies' Auxiliary, Golden Gate, No. 125, of

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BEAUTICIANS' NOTES

Officers installed by Beauticians' Union, Local No. 134-A are as follows:

President, Marie Graham; vice president, Earl Carter; recording secretary, Beryl Speyer; finance auditor, Evelyn Geckler; secretary-treasurer, Dora B. Lewis; guardian, Isabelle Thompson; guide, Grace Fowler.

Delegate to union label league, Edith Stackhouse; delegate to central labor council, Dora B. Lewis.

The membership of the beauticians and barbers' unions are holding a dance in the Ivory court room, Hotel Oakland, Saturday evening, February 11. Music by Ken Howard and his orchestra.

Members of organized labor and friends invited. Tickets 40 cents.

National Shop Still Unfair

The National Beauty shop is advertising they still have their same operators. This statement was denied this week by officers of the local union.

Beauty operators employed by the National shop before the strike in March 1938 are now working elsewhere and can be found by calling the beauticians' office.

The National Beauty shop is listed as "We Don't Patronize" by the organized labor movement of Alameda county.

Give your patronage to places displaying the shop card of the beauticians' union; stay away from the National and all other shops listed as "unfair."

Confectionery Workers' International Is Growing

The Bakery & Confectionery Workers' International Union reports that it is receiving daily next year's renewals of union agreements, and that the outlook for 1939 is the most promising in the history of the organization.

A. A. Myrup, secretary-treasurer of the international in a recent statement said, "more and more, the unorganized workers in our industry are awakening to the realization that further isolation from the ranks of organized labor can only militate against their own interests."

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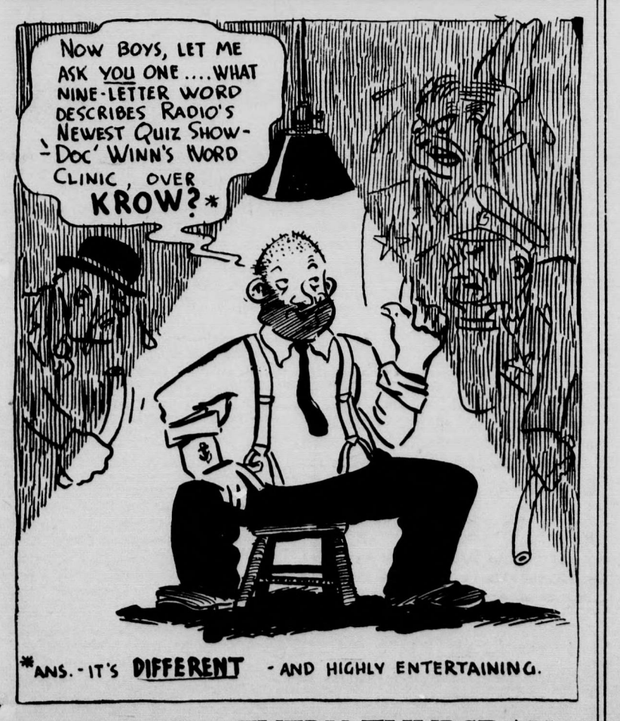
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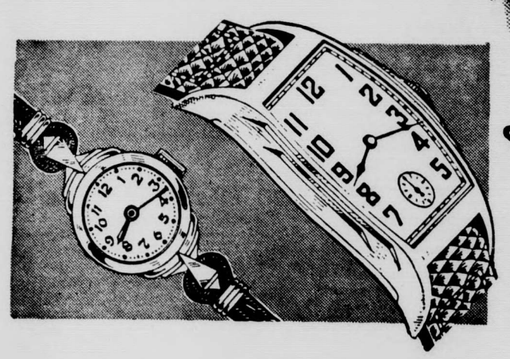
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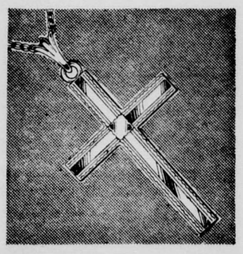
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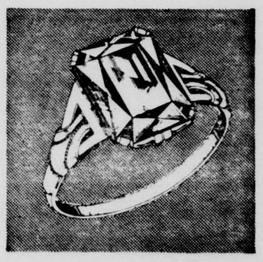
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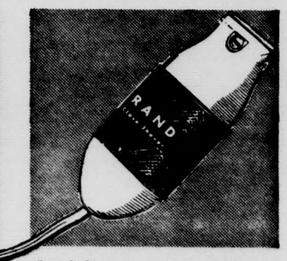
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Deserving the High Position

Mr. Justice Frankfurter

It is the unanimous opinion of the American people that President Roosevelt's nomination of Professor Felix Frankfurter to the United States supreme court is deserving of the highest praise.

The following statement by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, undoubtedly expresses not only the view of working men and women, but of all our citizens:

"I regard the nomination of Mr. Felix Frankfurter as a most excellent one. He is peculiarly fitted by training and experience to serve in such an exalted position. He is a man of broad vision, possessing a fine social and economic point of view together with a judicial mind and the ability to render exact justice to all litigants and to all classes of people. I heartily commend the president upon his appointment of Mr. Felix Frankfurter."

From a rich background of knowledge regarding the history and development of American institutions under the constitution, coupled with profound studies in the field of administrative law and the rights of the people, Professor Frankfurter will take to the court a broad vision and philosophy that will result in pronouncements relative to the fundamental rights of our citizens which will stand high in the annals of the court.

In addition to his profound knowledge of the law and its administration, Professor Frankfurter's views on the functions of the supreme court and the fundamental liberties belonging to the people under the constitution are a guarantee that progress for the masses will not be deterred by reactionary court edicts so narrowly limiting the constitution that freedom is shackled and strangled.

In one of his relatively recent statements on the judges and the constitution, Professor Frankfurter said:

"The judges of the supreme court are in fact arbiters of social policy. They are so because their duties make them so. * * *

"The constitution has ample means within itself to meet the changing needs of successive generations, for it was made for an undefined and expanding future, and for a people gathered from many nations and of many tongues.

"If the court, aided by an alert and public-spirited bar, has access to the facts and follows them, the constitution is flexible enough to meet all the new needs of our society."

Standing on the solid basis proclaimed in this statement by Professor Frankfurter, the people of the United States may rest secure in their right to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," ordained by the Declaration of Independence, and to "the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity," set forth in the constitution of the United States as its fundamental purpose.

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More About Governor Olson

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the plight of those who, having served their best years in American industry, must be left to spend their declining days in poverty and misery, unless social security programs provide for their retirement in health and comfort.

California Pays Most

Such programs have been started, with provisions for partial aid to the support of those in need who have reached the age of sixty-five years. California has more than matched the small amount ($15.00 per month) provided for such eligibles by the federal government to make a total of thirty-five dollars per month. This amount, however inadequate, is more liberal than that paid by any other state. A total of thirty-two and one-half million dollars per annum is now required of the state and the counties to meet this pension; yet the amount of the pension is too low and the age limit to high. For our state to meet the amount required to provide this inadequate pension for those of its citizens who find themselves in need of pensions at the age of sixty years would require approximately forty-eight and a quarter million dollars per annum.

Old age pensions must be furnished by those who are producing and by the machinery of production.

Public support of the old or the young can only be furnished by taxation in one form or another.

Meantime we shall favor state aid for pensions to the aged to the limit that state finances will permit. That limit, however, because of the tax necessary for present unemployment relief, may for a time at least, be very nearly reached. But as our tax burden is linked with unemployment, so is it linked with the need for old age pensions. More liberal old-age pensions may be anticipated when the unemployed are placed at productive work for their own support and the heavy tax burden for unemployment relief is thus reduced.

The courageous endeavors of the farmers of California in meeting their problems, shall receive every deserving service within the power of this administration to render. Assistance on the part of the state shall be to develop markets and marketing methods which will bring the products of the soil to the consumer with the least possible toll to intermediary agencies; to protect the farmer's income against demoralizing competitive trade practices; to find an outlet for those surplus products of the farm for which a market has not heretofore been found.

Low Cost Distribution

If minimum prices for our farm and dairy products are safeguarded against selfish, unfair trade combines in the retail distributive field, and if the spread of profit between producer and consumer is placed on an equitable basis, a greater consumer demand is certain to result. Low cost distribution—which means the elimination of excessive and exorbitant profits to the nonproducing elements in our economic system—is a matter which demands a new spirit of cooperation and active governmental service. It shall be the business of this state administration to see to it that unjustified distributive profits shall not be exacted at the expense of either the producer or the consumer. In this we shall seek and expect the cooperation of those engaged in legitimate distributive services, to insure a fair and reasonable return to all concerned.

We shall work hand in hand with the national administration, in aiding our farmers in flood control, in the prevention of waste by erosion, in afforestation and reforestation; in rural resettlement; in providing decent, healthy living conditions for agricultural labor; in obtaining money and credit at minimum interest rates; and in securing water and power through government owned and operated utilities, at the lowest possible cost.

There is a marked analogy in the circumstances of the present change of administration in the government of California and that which occurred over twenty-five years ago.

In 1910 the entire state government was under the almost complete domination and control of the principal public utility of the state and its affiliated interests. The people then drove this control from power. Since then, privately owned public utility interests and powerful oil and gas producing and distributing interests, have again moved in and have been exercising control of legislation and administration to such an extent that the natural resources of water, power, oil and gas have been exploited primarly for the enrichment of such interests. These resources have not been protected and their exploitation has not been regulated in the interest of the people.

With the aid of a subsidized daily press, and cleverly designed and costly publicity methods, they have from time to time influenced the people to vote against their own interests through false and misleading propaganda.

False Propaganda

As recent as the last November election will be found an illustration of this misguidance of the people by such false propaganda, resulting in their voting against ratification of the Garrison revenue bond bill passed by the legislature in 1937, which would have enabled communities to finance the acquisition or building of their power plants or other public utilities by the issuance and sale of revenue bonds. A thoroughly organized campaign, financed from moneys received from the people for public utility services, was carried on, which falsely told the voters that under this measure their homes and farms would be subjected to the lien of such revenue bonds. No agency of the common people was organized or had the necessary finances to meet this false propaganda. The past state administartion failed to speak out in favor of the people's interests and against the perniciously false propaganda of the private utility corporations. It remained to some of us in the legislature who supported this measure, and to a few other understanding citizens, to reach as many voters as we could with the truth.

Similar false propaganda defeated Senate Bill 579, for the protection of the people's interests in tideland oil and gas deposits at Huntington Beach. With the misleading slogan of "Save the Beaches," applied to a segment of the beach already ruined by oil wells, voters were misguided on that issue.

It shall be the policy of this administration to conserve and protect our great natural resources and control their exploitation in the common interest. The use of these resources and their products is essential to the lives of all of the people of the state, and must be obtained at the lowest possible cost to the people.

It shall be the purpose of this administration to promote the means for public ownership and operation of plants and distributive facilities for the distribution of this electric power to the people at cost.

For the successful accomplishment of the task confronting us, we shall call forth the best in each of us in a spirit of genuine devotion and supreme fidelity to the oath of office we take as we enter the service of our state.

Our hopes for progress are high; our desire for unity of action and accomplishment through a conscientious application of our respective talents and energies, is a grave concern of all alike. Surely, in each there is a full measure of loyalty and patriotism which will find expression during the months to come in advancing the welfare of the people of California.

Preelection battles are behind us. Let them remain behind us. Let us now approach our duties and our problems without bias or selfish purpose.

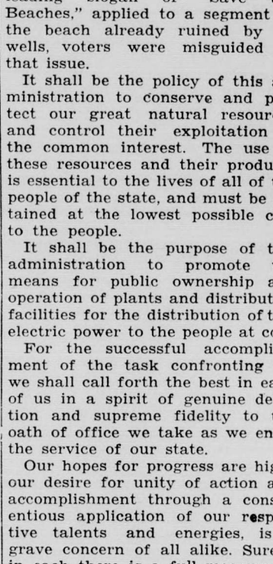
Memorable indeed should be this new year upon which we are embarking with courageous purpose to meet and solve our common problems.

With solemn recognition of my sacred duty to the people of California, I enter upon the governorship, deeply conscious of the great work which lies before us in the interests of social and economic progress through liberal government.

CULBERT L. OLSON,
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THE LOWDOWN

With KOPKE

WAR: This column, in accordance with authentic reports and observations made, predicted that in all probability, Germany would declare war on her enemies during the year. Some of you were skeptical. This week Ambassadors Kennedy and Bullitt, to England and France, warned the house and senate military affairs committee that America must prepare for a war in Europe within a year and must "arm to the teeth."

Reliable reports from the English isles cause us to believe that a great part of the English people are becoming more and more insistent that Premier Chamberlain change his appeasement attitude towards Hitler and Mussolini. It seems apparent to me that for any Englishman to reach the high position and power in British politics that Chamberlain enjoys, one must be possessed of great courage and —foresight. Couldn't it be very possible that Chamberlain, knowing the present weakness in his armed forces, is only playiny the reticent, acquiescent, yes-man, for the first act of Europe's war drama? Couldn't it be very possible that he ousted Anthony Eden because his boldness and impetuousness at this time would only spoil the plot the old fox is trying to lay? And is this why the totalitarian powers are getting more and more "grabby" knowing that the sooner the showdown tne better for them?

Of course the one big hitch in this tremendous war game, the course of which was plotted years ago, is Japan's failure to come through on schedule. The dictators depended on Japan to offset, to a large degree, any Russian or American threat. But, the Japanese people have been beaten, cajoled and taxed so inhumanly that it would be suicide for the Nipponese government to retreat in China.

It is estimated that Roosevelt's armament program proposal, if adopted by congress, a very unpredictable congress by the way, will not only boost last year's record-breaking war fund by nearly a billion pesos (American money), but will cause the employment of every available mechanic within our boundaries and create the demand for more.

And while we are on the subject. Do you recall that big business and capital (not all) have strenuously criticised new deal spending, new deal social security programs, new deal armament and new dealers themselves? Perhaps their tune will change now that their interests are threatened. Perhaps they will be thankful that the millions who would otherwise have starved or died of sickness, are now strong enough to carry a gun, and protect their holdings.. Guarantee every citizen the fundamentals of life, let him make his own luxuries.

PRISON PAINT: The paint makers, in response to a communication sent last week, received the following letter:

"Thank you for your very cordial letter. If and when the time comes when the matter of making paint for state use comes along, I will be very happy to sit down with you and get all the facts. In the meantime I wish you and the members of your union a prosperous and happy new year."

Very truly yours,
(signed) A. R. O'BRIEN,
President State Prison Board.

This office has received favorable response to the excellent comment made on this matter by Jimmy Quinn, Labor Journal editor and radio columnist on last Friday evening's broadcast.

PAINT INDUSTRY: Latest reports on the census of manufacturers, U. S. department of labor tell us that since 1933 there has been an additional 10,000 workers employed in the paint manufacturing industry. The manpower has increased about 40 per cent, wages about 80 per cent, cost of materials 100 per cent, value of products 90 per cent, and value added by manufacture 70 per cent.

SAYINGS OF THE SAGES:
A single fact is worth a ship load of arguments.

A FOWL TRANSACTION

The reckless motorist swerved and killed a fowl which darted across the road. An old woman who lived in a cottage nearby was quickly on the scene. Her face was stern, her features hard and forbidding.

Before she could utter a word, the motorist plunged a hand in his pocket and tendered her a five dollar bill.

"Here, my good woman," he said, apologetically, "this will square matters."

The sour face softened.

"It's good of you," she said. "Now I shall be able to start keeping chickens myself."

Federation Of Labor Sponsors Bills

Six measures of interest and importance to organized labor throughout the state were introduced in the California state legislature during the past week through the efforts of Edward D. Vandeleur, secretary and legislative agent of the California State Federation of Labor.

The following summary of propositions introduced during the first week of the legislature was issued by Secretary Vandeleur:

1. Relating to policy of the industrial accident commission, introduced by Senator Harold J. Powers. Under this policy the commission will take a more determined stand in the interest of the working people of the state to assist them in finding suitable employment, providing facilities for greater education, and to carry out the intent of the industrial accident commission and all of its various departments, and see that all laws are enforced.

2. The anti-injunction bill, or state act similar to the Norris-LaGuardia act, introduced by Assemblyman Melvin Cronin.

3. Amendments to the unemployment reserves act which would:

(A) Eliminate employee contributions.

(B) Raise minimum benefits from $7 to $10 per week, and maximum from $15 to $20 per week.

(C) Include all employees, instead of limiting the law to "four or more employes" as it now reads.

(D) Delete from the act that part which states—"No benefits will be paid to workers on strike."

These amendments were introduced by Assemblyman Thomas Maloney.

4. Providing for prevailing wage on public works, introduced by Assemblyman Harold Sawallisech, and sponsored by the state council of carpenters and supported by all the building trades crafts.

5. Amending Section 921 of the state labor code, introduced by Assemblyman Ray Williamson. The courts have ruled that Section 921 of the labor code prohibits closed shop agreements between employer and employes. Assemblyman Williamson prepared and introduced an amendment clarifying this section, under which closed shop agreements would be legal.

6. Factory sanitation bill, introduced by Assemblyman Henry P. Meehan. As the law now reads, inspection is made only factories or plants where five or more employes are employed. The proposal would change the law to read "one or more employes."

The measures will be more definitely identified within the coming week and given numbers.

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San Francisco, to attend their installation January 10th.

Copies of by-laws were given to the sisters who did not receive one.

Mystery sisters thanked their mystery sisters for cards and gifts for Christmas.

A letter of thanks was ordered sent to Auto Mechanics No. 1546, for the check of $100.00 for Christmas tree, and donations left over from their installation.

Past Presidents Sisters Cook and Ozko of Auxiliary No. 125, San Francisco were present with about ten sisters of Auxiliary No. 125.

"Thanks" were extended to the social committee who helped in the day time by the chairman.

Meeting adjourned and installation was the next on the program for the evening.

MYSTERY SISTERS

All the mystery sisters get in touch with Chairman Tessie O'Leary, by phoning OLympic 9863 as soon as possible.

MEETING

The newly elected President Gladys Costa has many plans for the new year, and at the next meeting of January 18th, she will appoint her various committees. Please attend.

Boost the union label at all times.

TESSIE O'LEARY, Press Cor.

Workers Generous In Helping Jews

Local 61, A. F. of L. Luggage Workers' Union, of Philadelphia, started out to collect $100 from its membership for the Allied Jewish appeal. Leaders thought the men couldn't afford any more, because this had been a hard year for them. Sixty per cent of the men are non-Jewish.

When the returns were in, they had raised $1,306. The employers took the hint and added enough more to bring the total up to about $5,000.

Montreal Printers Win 40-Hour Week

By agreement reached between Jacques Cartier Union, No. 145, International Typographical Union, of Montreal, with the three French language papers here, hours of labor have been reduced from 44 to 40 per week, with the wage scale set at $1.00 per hour for day work and $1.10 per hour for night work. The agreement is to run to December 31, 1939.

WISDOM

A man should never be ashamed to own he has been in the wrong, which is but saying in other words, that he is wiser today than he was yesterday.—Alexander Pope.

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New York's Hotels Being Unionized

Unprecedented Agreement Calls For Closed Shop and Checkoff; A. F. of L. Recognized

Over 170 New York hotels, including some of the swankiest, are about to operate under closed shop contracts with five A. F. of L. unions.

In an unprecedented move, the Hotel Association of New York city, representing 173 hostelries, reached an agreement with the New York Trades Council, central body of the five unions, calling for the closed shop, a check-off system, and wage boosts.

Many of the hotels have already signed the pact, and others are expected to follow. Unions involved are the electrical workers, firemen and oilers, building service employes, stationary engineers, and waiters, all A. F. of L. affiliates.

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